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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MASATOSHI YAGINUMA, ET AL.

Application No.: 10/091,464

Filed: March 7, 2002

For: PUNCHING DEVICE, SHEET PROCESSOR HAVING THE )  
PUNCHING DEVICE, AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS: )  
HAVING THE PUNCHING DEVICE )

Examiner: Phong H. Nguyen

Group Art Unit: 3724

March 12, 2004

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final Rejection in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	35	MINUS	39	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MINUS	3	= 0	x \$43 \$86	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$145/\$290						—
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00

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- ☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 CFR 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the fee for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the final Official Action dated January 14, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: